



**Temporary Rule
June 23, 2020**

**Electrical Apprenticeship
Math Grade Requirement**

Purpose of the rule:

Due to the Coronavirus/COVID-19 school closures, the Oregon Department of Education issued guidance that required schools to only issue “pass/incomplete” grades to students for coursework completed during the Coronavirus/COVID-19 school closure. Letter grades were not allowed to be given. This rule will allow individuals with “pass” grades meet education requirements to apply for electrical apprenticeship programs.

Citation:

Amend: OAR 918-282-0270

This rule is effective June 23, 2020

Background:

Oregon Administrative Rule (OAR) 918-282-0270 requires applicants for electrical apprenticeship to provide transcripts demonstrating at least a “C” letter grade in certain math classes. The Oregon Department of Education issued guidance that required schools to only issue “pass/incomplete” grades to students for coursework completed during the Coronavirus/COVID-19 school closure. Letter grades were not allowed to be given. This rule will allow individuals with “pass” grades for certain math classes to meet education requirements for electrical apprenticeship programs.

Effect:

This rule will allow individuals to qualify for apprenticeship programs with “pass” grades for certain math classes.

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NEED FOR THE RULE(S):

OAR 918-282-0270 requires that applicants for apprenticeship provide transcripts demonstrating at least a "C" letter grade in certain math classes. The Oregon Department of Education issued guidance that required schools to only issue "pass/incomplete" grades to students for coursework completed during the Coronavirus/COVID-19 school closure. Letter grades were not allowed to be given.

JUSTIFICATION OF TEMPORARY FILING:

Without this temporary rule amendment, students who were unable to receive letter grades in math classes during the COVID-19 school closure would be unable to meet electrical apprenticeship application requirements. Those impacted people will be unfairly disadvantaged, and a rule change is justified to allow them the opportunity to apply for electrical apprenticeships.

DOCUMENTS RELIED UPON, AND WHERE THEY ARE AVAILABLE:

Rules are available from the division's rules coordinator located at 1535 Edgewater St. NW, Salem, Oregon, 97304 and are available on the division's web site: <https://www.oregon.gov/bcd/laws-rules/Pages/adopted-rules.aspx>.

HOUSING IMPACT STATEMENT:

No impact to housing cost expected - no housing impact statement necessary

AMEND: 918-282-0270

RULE TITLE: Apprentices

RULE SUMMARY: Due to the Coronavirus/COVID-19 school closures, the Oregon Department of Education issued guidance that required schools to only issue "pass/incomplete" grades to students for coursework completed during the Coronavirus/COVID-19 school closure. Letter grades were not allowed to be given. This rule amendment will allow individuals with "pass" grades meet education requirements to apply for electrical apprenticeship programs.

RULE TEXT:

(1) An apprentice:

(a) Shall meet the following minimum requirements:

(A) General journeyman, Class A limited energy technician and Class B limited energy technician:

(i) Be 17 years of age to apply, 18 years of age to be registered;

(ii) Have a high school diploma, GED, or international equivalency; and

(iii) Have one-year high school algebra, integrated math 2 or its equivalent, with a grade of "Pass", "C" or better, or equivalent community college mathematics placement test results.

(B) Limited journeyman manufacturing plant, limited maintenance, limited journeyman sign, limited journeyman stage and limited renewable energy technician:

(i) Be 17 years of age to apply, 18 years of age to be registered;

(ii) Have a high school diploma, GED or international equivalency; and

(iii) Have one-year high school mathematics with a passing grade, or equivalent community college mathematics placement test results;

(C) Limited residential:

(i) Be 17 years of age to apply, 18 years of age to be registered;

(ii) Have a high school diploma, GED, or international equivalency; and

(iii) Have one-year high school algebra, integrated math 2 or its equivalent, with a grade of "Pass", "C" or better, or one-year high school math and completion of an algebra course as part of an approved apprenticeship program, with a grade of "Pass", "C" or better, or equivalent community college mathematics placement test results.

(b) Shall be licensed;

(c) May assist an appropriately licensed electrician on the same job site and the same shift in performing electrical work authorized in the trade, or branch of the trade, in which the licensee is registered; and

(d) Shall not perform electrical work under a person holding a letter of authority card issued to State of Oregon employees.

(2) Apprentice licenses issued under sections (3)(a), (4), or (5) of this rule are issued and renewed by the Oregon Bureau of Labor and Industries according to standards established in this rule and the guidelines established by the Bureau of Labor and Industries and the Building Codes Division.

(3) Electrical apprentice licenses:

(a) Shall be issued to individuals registered in formal electrical apprenticeship programs recognized by the board and the Oregon Bureau of Labor and Industries under ORS Chapter 660; and

(b) May be issued to trainees enrolled in individually approved, employer-sponsored training programs leading to the limited journeyman license in OAR 918-282-0190. Individuals enrolled in these programs may be issued an electrical apprentice license only if the employer's program is approved by the board.

(4) Reciprocal electrical apprentice licenses shall be issued to individuals currently registered in an approved apprenticeship program outside Oregon in a state that is party to the state apprenticeship reciprocal agreement.

(5) Notwithstanding subsection (1)(c) of this rule, a final period apprentice licensed under sections (3)(a) or (4) of this rule that meets the requirements of this section and the Bureau of Labor and Industries may be issued an indirect supervision electrical apprentice license, allowing the apprentice to work under indirect supervision at the discretion of the responsible supervisor. A license under this section may be issued to:

(a) A final period apprentice in an 8,000 hour apprenticeship program with at least 6,500 hours of on-the-job training, allowing the apprentice to work under indirect supervision on projects not exceeding eight hours duration and limited to 300 volts phase to phase or phase to ground; or

(b) A final period apprentice in a 6,000 hour apprenticeship program with at least 5,000 hours of on-the-job training, allowing the apprentice to work under indirect supervision on projects not exceeding eight hours duration that are otherwise within the scope of the apprentice's license.

STATUTORY/OTHER AUTHORITY: ORS 479.730

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